

Camrose Lutheran College 1950 Graduating Class

With an air of solemn dignity, Camrose Lutheran College graduates of 1950 completed a successful weekend of Alumni activities. Class motto for 1950 was "Teach Us Thy Way," and their colors were green and white.

Their commencement program, the 39th held at Camrose Lutheran College, began Friday evening with six musical numbers by the College choir, under the direction of Edwin F. Marken. After the Processional, with Mrs. Ralph Dahl at the organ, the graduation program proper opened with "O Canada" and the Invocation by Rev. K. C. Grundahl, college pastor. The Salutation was given by James Hendrickson, followed by the handing on of the "Key of Wisdom." Jakob Mollerup presented the key for the 1950 class to Margaret Collin, the receiver for the class of 1951. Else Mollerup was chosen to give the Valedictory.

The commencement address was given by Prof. William Nehrenz of the Saskatoon Lutheran College and Seminary. He spoke on the theme, "In Times Like These," taking his text from the Book of Esther, chapter four and verse fourteen, which is as follows: "And who knoweth whether thou are not come to the Kingdom for such a time as this." He sketched briefly the turbulent times of the day of Esther and then addressing the graduates, he stated: "Most of you were born in the thirties and have never known what is called 'normal times.' The strain of the depression, the war and the post war period have been abnormal and trying times. But you have come to the Kingdom 'in such a time as this' to make your contribution in the work to which you have been called."

Rev. K. Bergsagel, principal of the college, presented the diplomas. Those who graduated were:

ACADEMIC: Allen Marvin Anderson, Elner Harlan Bjorge, Iris Marie Bjornson, Rudolph Joseph Bruha, William Thervold Christenson, Jr., Jeannette Gwyneth Cornfield, Beryl Anne Court, Hans Espe, Constance Hazel Marie Fenske, Harriet Shirley Glasner, Doreen Ruth Heatherington, James Emil Hendrickson, Fabian Woolcott Hugh, Donna June Huseby, Andrew Jensen, Anna Jensen, John Gordon Kidd, Leola Margaret Klein, Dorothy Marie Larsen, Margaret Hil-dur Lien, Grant Eugene Lindholm, Eula Mariann Lundell, Avis Marie Lyseng, Kenneth Roger Midbo, Norman Leonard Moe, Doreen Claire Moen, Else Margrethe Mollerup, Joan Eleanor Nelson, Alice Victoria Of-rim, Karen Soffie Olsen, Vernon Hol-man Opheim, Cora Maren Pederson, Gordon Vernon Rasmussen, Donald Worthly Scotvold, Carl Henrik Selin, Albert Raymond Sjerdal, Agnes Olive Smorlie and Joanne Virginia Vikse.

COMMERCIAL: Marie Bistrup Bo-berg, Molfrid Synnove Bye, Joyce Joan Gilaroski, Thelma Fay Gud-mundson, Esther Marie Hoines, Ade-line Anna Heubner, Margery Mar-cella Liden, Velma Louise Lien, Verla Doreen Lind, Eleanor Irma Oberg, Barbara Petrie, Doreen Laurel Ponte, Carmen Nora Rude, Erliss Ardine Ruff, Doreen Clarice Rollinson, Jac-queline Stone, Lois Ada Wight, Ron-ald Erwin Zucht.

Baccalaureate service was held on Sunday morning at 11.00 a.m., with Rev. K. C. Grundahl the speaker.

Home and away are al-ternate beats of the same heart.



Camrose Lutheran College Alumni Reunion

All roads lead to Camrose Lutheran College on June 2, 3 and 4 as far as former graduates of C.L.C. were concerned. This was the weekend of College Graduation Exercises and Home Coming.

The various functions of the Alumni were very well attended. Many Alumni attended the college graduation exercises on Friday, June 2, and stayed the whole weekend to take part in the various activities sponsored by their organization.

The regular annual business meeting of the Alumni was held in the main college building on Saturday, June 3 at 10.00 a.m. John Lefsrud, president of the Alumni, presided. The meeting was well attended and considerable interest was shown in such items of business as, "How to make a go of the proposed Alumni bulletin (two issues had been sent out to date)" "How to get and keep in touch with the members of our fast growing Alumni," and so on. The formal introduction of this year's graduates took place at this meeting, thus bringing our total membership to 1,046, active and otherwise.

The election of officers for 1950-51 resulted in the following being elected: President, L. S. Olson; vice-president, Elmer Bergh; secretary, Izora Sevalrud; assistant secretary, Bunny Vike; treasurer, Jacob Mollerup; sports directors, Marvin Bruce; Verna Gudmundson and Jim Hendrickson.

Following the business meeting the group — 200 strong approximately — went out to Duhamel Crossing for the annual picnic and sports. Everything was there — hot dogs, ice cream, coffee, tug-of-war, relays, and of course the yearly soft ball playoff between new graduates and old graduates.

The annual banquet of the Alumni was held in the College gymnasium on Saturday evening. This year the attendance reached the maximum that can be accommodated in the gymnasium. Two hundred and ninety places were set and about 30 or so of these were not filled. The new executive will have the problem of deciding where to hold our 1951 banquet. Throughout the banquet there was a spirit of Christian fellowship and good fun.

Camrose Lutheran Ladies' Aid did a fine job in catering at this banquet. The meal was very tasty and the serving was efficiently arranged.

The banquet completed the Alumni activities for that day. This year an experiment was attempted. An attempt was made to hold a Camrose Lutheran College Choir Reunion. All graduates who had been members of the present college choir were invited to participate in a mass choral union effort. The rehearsal was held in the Camrose Lutheran Church. Sunday afternoon under the direction of E. F. Marken. The climax of the whole Alumni Reunion and the point at which the real spiritual emphasis of our Christian College was manifested, took place at the Camrose Lutheran Church Sunday, June 4. At this time an Inspiration Service was rendered. The program was made up of favorite chorals sung by the Camrose Lutheran College Choral Reunion Choir as well as two chorals by the present College choir. Other items on the program were Hymn, audience; devotion, Luther Olson; greetings, John Lefsrud; C.L.C. male quartette (1948), "There Was No Other Way," "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling," Magnuson sisters, "Out of the Darkness," Izora Sevalrud and Cliff Hoyme; benediction, Pastor K. C.

Grundahl.

The special message was given by Pastor I. J. Saugen of Viking, graduate of 1926.

A special offering was taken, the proceeds of which are to be used to bolster the Scholarship Award Fund and for the General Fund. This completed the C.L.C. Alumni activities for another year. It was the first attempt to hold anything bigger than a banquet and picnic. We feel that the experiment of having a fuller weekend by adding the choral reunion and the inspirational service was a success, and should be repeated again next year.

Any former graduate of Camrose Lutheran College who reads this article, and who did not receive the bulletins referred to earlier, would be doing us a real favor if he would write and tell us about it.

—L. S. O., President,
C.L.C. Alumni Association.

ANNUAL CAMROSE WEEK JULY 2-9, 1950

The Camrose Week will again be held in Camrose Lutheran Church, K. C. Grundahl, pastor. It starts at 11.00 a.m., Sunday, July 2nd, and continues through July 9th. There will be three English services daily, 11.00 a.m., 2.00 p.m., and 7.30 p.m., and on Sundays, 11.00 a.m., 2.30 p.m., and 8.00 p.m. Prayer Hour and message in Norwegian 9.00 to 11.00 a.m. each week day. Annual business meeting on Wednesday, July 5th at 1.30 p.m.

Thursday afternoon will be in charge of the Women's Missionary Federation.

Two Norwegian services at C.L.B.I. each Sunday at 11.00 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Conference speakers will be: Pas-
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We are taking the liberty of reprinting from the Concordia Messenger, edited by one of our former Canadian pastors, C. S. Lystig, his very fine article on "Summer Church Attendance." Pastor Lystig is pastor of Concordia congregation in North Minneapolis. We have omitted only a couple sentences that bore directly on the local work. We believe this brings a needed reminder.

SUMMER CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Beautiful summer weather has finally arrived; so has the fishing season, and the universal urge to get away from roasting sidewalks and stuffy buildings, especially over the weekends. Undoubtedly it would be good for all of us to breathe a little more of fresh country air. At the moment we can think only of one big drawback to summer weekend activities: The great slump in church attendance. Any little excuse, or any type of sport or pleasure will easily take a person away from his church and public worship. Would that we all had a more wide-awake conscience in this matter.

This paper may fall into the hands of some who never support and hardly ever attend church except in the case of funerals, weddings or big church dinners. Such cannot strictly speaking be classified as church attendance, however, and if everyone did likewise, there would soon be no churches; there would be no ministers; there would be no one to baptize children (or adults); there would be no one who could give your daughter or son a Christian wedding; there would be no pastors to visit the sick or bury the dead. To this may be added the example it would set for others. If the church members themselves assumed an indifferent and superficial attitude toward their church, treating it as a dispensable, miscellaneous item, "outsiders" would certainly not be drawn into such a half-hearted organization.

To attract others one must be a "booster," exemplifying the spirit of one who has found something really worthwhile. Here apply the words of Christ: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works . . ." A cheerful optimist is welcome everywhere. Of all people a Christian should be an optimist. He's bound to win! He has "connections," not only in this world but also in the world to come. If a Christian church member cannot be optimistic, and by his optimism attract others, there must be something the matter with his "connections." He must have gotten out of tune with heavenly headquarters.

As stated by one T. A. Daniel, "Very often going to church is dull because you make it so; already beforehand you consider it a drudgery, and that's just the way it comes out! Never deliberately skip going to church. Don't kid yourself into believing that "just this once won't make any difference." How do you know? The one time you missed going to church may very well have been the time you should have been present. You never stand to gain a

thing by skipping church; on the contrary, you stand to lose much. Be a winner! Go to church."

Finally we have to mention the prosaic subject of money. Some seem to think that such a subject ought not even be named among friends. It is so unspiritual. Besides, the church is always begging for something. Well, it is forced to do so because the rank and file of church members are so slow of heart to believe all that the Lord has said about supporting God's work. If we all truly believed and truly practiced God's Word in money matters, the church would never need to "beg." There would be enough for all and to spare.

Won't you make a special effort this summer to maintain regular support of your church? Remember, the expenses continue at practically the same rate during the summer season as during any other part of the year. We can so easily avoid embarrassing our treasurer if we all do our part. Will you do yours? "Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20 35).

Obituaries

Nicolene Helene Otteson

One of the early members of the Ibbestad congregation, Enchant, Alberta, was laid to rest in the Ibbestad cemetery on May 2, 1950. Nicolene Helene Otteson, born at Badger, Minnesota, on April 10, 1899, came with her parents to the Enchant district in 1910 and had lived there until the time of her death. She died of acute heart failure on April 27, 1950, in the Galt Hospital, Lethbridge, Alberta.

Miss Otteson, or known to many simply as "Nicolene," had been active in the work of the local congregation. For about 25 years she had been the organist of the congregation and had also assisted in choir and Luther League activities. She taught in the Sunday School and often organized and arranged the children's programs. For many years she gave much help to the local W.M.F. Of this organization she was president 1938 to 1950. She had also served in other W.M.F. offices, both local and circuit.

Best remembered is the testimony of her life. Through an experiential knowledge of God's Word she had learned that one has no merit or worthiness before God. Psalm 51 was one of her favorite portions of Scripture. She also learned to trust in Christ for salvation. Therefore God was able to bring forth in her life fruits of godly living, even in the midst of sickness and suffering.

Surviving are two brothers, Henning and Harold, of Enchant, and six sisters, Mettie (Mrs. John Orsten) and Agnes (Mrs. Sven Varhaug), of Enchant; Tilly (Mrs. George Heather) of Mila; Jennie Mrs. John Lindstrom) and Sophie (Mrs. Walter Borchers), of Barrhead, and Nan (Mrs. Melvin Sires) of Bellingham, Wash.

Relatives and friends gave gifts in memoriam to the following: Bethany Sunset Home, \$113.00; C.L.B.I., \$75; C.L.C. Building Fund, \$5.00; Ibbestad Building Fund, \$37.00; Foreign Missions, \$10.00; and W.M.F. In Memoriam, \$10.00. Floral tributes were also given.

District News

Pastor P. B. Stolee who this last year taught at S.L.B.I. is now in Nashville, Tennessee, to attend a special language course in the Laubach method this summer. Pastor and Mrs. Stolee will return to Madagascar in the fall.

S.L.B.I. ALUMNI SPONSORS SPEAKER

S.L.B.I. graduate, Howie Olson, now a student at Luther Seminary, is being sent by the Alumni Association on a speaking tour of a month's duration. His salary and travel expenses

are paid by the association, wherefore collections received at his services go to the school. His itinerary is as follows:

May 29, Kyle.
May 30, June 1, Cabri parish.
June 2, Bethel (Stewart Valley).
June 4, Leinan, 11.00 a.m.
Swift Current, 7.30 p.m.
June 5, Blumenhof.
June 6, Bethesda (Simmie).
June 7, Admiral.
June 8, S. Immanuel (Admiral).
June 9, Scotsguard.
June 10, 11, Frontier parish.
June 13, 14, 15, Naicam parish.
June 16, 17, 18, Rose Valley parish.
June 19, 20, Buchanan parish.
June 21, 22, 23, Preeceville parish.

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More applications have been received by May 19, 1950, for attendance at the Saskatchewan Lutheran Bible Institute than at the same date last year.

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Central Lutheran of Edmonton has purchased the lot adjacent to the church property. The purpose is to make room for extending the church building. Attendance is on the increase.

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Our church has been given the go-sign to begin work in one of the areas in South-Side Edmonton. There is a fine, new community fast developing in that area. The Home Mission is in charge of this new venture.

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Our church has also been granted work in the Ponoka field. Here, too, there are great possibilities of service.

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE

I John 4:16-21

First Sunday After Trinity

The enemies of Christ and His cause are many and varied! Many existed at the time that John wrote this epistle, and proportionately to the light which we have received there are even more today. Satan has always had his agencies, both outside and inside the Christian Church, through which he works. We are somewhat aware of the constant pressure and power which he wields from the outside, but are we fully aware of the ingenuity of Satan and his legion of fifth columnists working from within, as he more and more seeks to broaden the area of what is called "Christian Liberty," and undermines the one principle which Christ Himself laid down, which if upheld brings and assures the Christian Church real spiritual success, but if modernized and streamlined brings within it that which is decidedly not Christian! That one principle is this: "Straight is the gate and narrow is the way that leadeth unto life." How many people and practices find refuge under the all too generalized term "Christian," although lacking in the distinctive markings of that which is Christian, and blaringly inconsistent to the plain teachings of God's Word! Too often, and too much, and too readily people are accepted as Christian and given the assurance that everything is fine with them, who have never seen themselves as sinners before God, and who are actually living in open sin, whose life and practices are consistently inconsistent with what God says in His Word! It is this inside putrefaction in the lives of those who confess His Name, and so often accepted as His followers, that is endangering the cause of Christ today. Of the many onslaughts that Nehemiah's enemies brought against him and his work as he sought to rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, which was to again assure the people of Israel of God's continued favor and presence, the greatest hindrance came when Sanbalat and his cohorts brought about "much rubbish" right within the camp itself! Christianity has always had marks which are distinctly its own! John sets forth two in this epistle, that of

Light and Love! In our text he sets forth the first principle of the Christian life (which is the first fruit of the Spirit) that of love! In the light of this one principle (there are many more) what becomes of those who though they profess His name, and yet manifest little or no love to God and the things of God, say nothing of the grudges, hatreds, and other demons that they have been nursing in their hearts toward others? Are they Christian? Let us see what John has to say, as he sets forth the absolute need of love! As it is:

(a) Eternally in God! Twice in this chapter (4:8; 4:16) John declares "God is Love," that is, not so much as one of many qualities which God has, but as the all-embracing total of what His is! All that we can come to know and experience of love, has its origin not in man, but wholly in God (v 10)! Its beginning and continuation is of God, as we read in v7! It is the fruit, as is also everything else that is spiritual, of the Spirit, (Gal. 5:22)! It can only be born and continue to live in him who is obedient to the Spirit of God, for to live otherwise is of the flesh, the result of which is so vividly told us in Rom. 8:13-14 and Gal. 5:18-21! Oh the riches of the love which God has had toward us! (Read I John 3:1; Eph. 3:17-19). A riches which is:

(b) Expressed in all its fulness in Christ! Love is sacrifice! How clearly this is shown throughout God's entire Word as we see Jesus, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God, come and taking upon Himself my sin and shame, give His all upon Calvary's Cross! See Him wounded, bleeding, dying. His heart poured out and emptied for me! That's love! Please read I John 4:10; II Cor. 8:9; II Cor. 5:18-21; and Eph. 2:13-18! This is the love:

(c) Which is to be exemplified as the primary fruit of the Spirit in the believer! When Christ comes into your heart then you receive this love, and possess the power from His Spirit to live in it and exercise it toward God and man! Absolutely impossible otherwise, for love is the fruit of the Spirit, and only they who have Christ in their hearts can have the Spirit. (Read Gal. 4:6; Acts 2:38; and I John 4:13). To live in any other way, and to be moved and goaded about by any other spirit, is definitely not Christian! John says (I John 4:20).

"If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar, for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" And again (I John 4:8) "He that loveth not, knoweth not God!" To foster and continue in any other spirit than that which the Spirit of God seeks to light and keep burning in your heart, that of love, endangers one of that which Gal. 5:21 tells us: "They which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God." Yes, "Straight is the gate and narrow is the way that leadeth unto life."

—R. O. O.

COLOMBIA MISSION BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the Colombia Evangelical Lutheran Mission of South America will be held immediately following the afternoon service on Sunday, July 23rd. A decision will have to be made as to the future of the Mission. We call the attention of the Board members to this notice.

—A. M. Vinge, Secretary.

W.M.F. COOK BOOK

Are you looking for a birthday or "shower" gift? Why not give a W.M.F. Cook Book? There are still some to be had, and we urge you all to order your supply NOW. Price is one dollar. Send your order to Miss Clara Haugen, 212 Wiggins Avenue, Saskatoon, Sask.

Grace Alone

The eighteenth in a series of articles on Grace Alone by Dr. J. R. Lavik, Luther Seminary, Saskatoon, Sask.

GRACE ALONE AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Let us now for a few moments turn our attention to the Lord's Supper. That grace alone should receive strong emphasis here, too, must be apparent to all who in any measure appreciate the nature and the gifts of God in this Sacrament. Here the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, the crucified and risen Saviour, comes to us through the visible and tangible means of the Lord's Supper, enters deeply into personal communion with us, gives us His body that was broken and His blood that was shed on the cross, and therewith the blessed fruits of His atonement, the forgiveness of sins and life and salvation. At this sacred moment all thought of human merit or of personal worthiness must be completely excluded. No one can rightly make any claims upon such amazingly condescending love as is here manifested.

And yet the thought of merit, or of greater worthiness as compared with other participants, persistently insinuates itself. Perhaps some encouragement to this, and some confusion of thought, is due to the use of the word "worthy" in indicating who may properly participate in this sacrament. We have, for instance, the question in Sverdrup's Explanation: "Is it of little importance how we receive the Lord's Supper?" And the answer "By no means; we must be prepared to receive these gifts of the Lord; for it is far worse to go to the Lord's Table without preparation and unworthily than never to go there." Many people admittedly take this matter far too lightly. They simply follow the outward custom prevailing among church members, and too easily assume that they are good Christians and worthy guests at the Lord's Table, while their daily lives may be sharply contradictory of this. We must also recognize that others are at the other extreme and, because they are burdened with a deep sense of unworthiness, stay away from this Means of Grace of which they are in special need. Moreover, there are a few here and there who, in the assurance of their own superior worthiness, look critically askance and pass unkind judgment upon other guests at the Lord's Table, some of whom may be more receptive communicants than they themselves.

Two facts need to be emphasized in this connection. The one is that this Sacrament is for Christians only. The unconverted, the unregenerate sinner, should stay away from the Lord's Table. He is not suited for it, is not in a condition to receive its gifts, and so in participating he eats and drinks judgment unto himself (I Cor. 11: 29). This is not a sacrament of regeneration, but of sanctification, and only the regenerate can be sanctified. There is serious need of warning people against such abuse of this holy institution of God.

The other fact to be strongly emphasized is that in this Sacrament, too, grace alone prevails. The Lord's Table stands "beneath the cross of Jesus," and there all human merit is absolutely ruled out. God's gifts of forgiveness and spiritual refreshment bestowed there upon contrite and believing sinners, are motivated only by His infinite and unmerited love. All merit involved centres in the atonement.

Why, then, does scripture warn so strongly against eating and drinking "unworthily," saying that such a one "shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord?" It is to be noted that the word used in the original Greek text (I Cor. 11:27, 29) "anaxios," the negative form, or "axios," the positive form, has two distinct shades of meaning. The one is the idea of worth, or of merit, but that is

clearly out of place here. The other is the idea of the appropriate, the befitting, that which corresponds to the purpose in view; and this is the sense in which the word is used in these passages. The question here is not one of merit, but whether the person concerned is in a poor condition to receive the grace offered in the Sacrament. It is precisely the one who realizes that he has no merit in himself, the one who is burdened with a sense of his spiritual poverty and deep need, and who is yearning for the grace of God, that can properly come to this holy meal which Christ has instituted for the spiritual refreshing of His disciples. Such a one can be encouraged, and needs to be encouraged, to come to the Lord's Table, because all merit is ruled out and grace alone prevails. Repentance and faith are required, not in the way of merit, but for the reason that they are necessarily involved in the operations of grace, and specifically in the receptiveness of the sinner in relation to God's salvation.

A TITHER SPEAKS

By FRED BOIEN

(Reprinted from the parish paper of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Omaha, Neb., of which Mr. Boien is a member.)

Your editor has asked for a statement about tithing. Our family has tithed for many years. Perhaps tithing is not what it should be called — perhaps a partnership division would be better. God gives us the whole income; we share it on a definite basis.

Here is how we go about the plan: First we acknowledge that all that we have in material, mental, and physical and spiritual things is given us in trust by God. We are His stewards. We are therefore accountable to Him. We must needs therefore keep accounts.

We can and do keep accurate account of what we receive. (Uncle Sam helps because he requires a quarterly survey.) We set aside a portion of our receipts for God's work. This work includes the Community Chest, a worthy charity, a needy person, and our church. This does not include transportation to church, church suppers, or monies paid out for services rendered us — such as hanging storm windows, etc., even if the man hired is given the job only because he needs the work.

Where do we get our plan? Well, the Old Testament gives a very detailed account of how God's share was to be figured. We know that the law does not bind us — for Christ has paid in full. We do feel, however, that God is a God of order, and that we should be aware of the orderly way that He has for us. He says in His Word, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness." So we try to give God a definite share of our income, and not only a definite share, but also the first share. We then live on the balance.

Strangely enough, the balance seems to stretch more easily than when we spend first and try to stretch what is left to pay God's share.

How do we work the plan? We pledge as much as we think we can easily meet. Then we give as much more as we can. If at the end of the accounting period we find that we have a surplus in God's account — we find a place to use it. We can only keep this account accurate when we write down just what has given us. We use 10 per cent as a basis for our tithe (sometimes the percentage is higher) because 10 per cent is easy to figure.

What results do we have? Everything that we have needed we have had. We have never been embarrassed by having to refuse aid to a worthy cause. We believe that we have carried a fair share of our privileges and responsibilities. We know that God has been with us and blessed us. We have had many of our difficulties almost miraculously solve themselves.

What results can you have? Everything that we have had you can have, without exception. Tithing, while generally accepted as meaning 10 per cent is not bound to be exactly that. You can set aside more, you can pay God whatever part you feel that He is worth to you. The main thought, however, is that God is your partner — He expects you to use His share of your partnership in His work. If you render a true account of your stewardship — you can expect such commendation as a true Master alone can give.

What will our Church benefit? If our congregation is a true representative of God's Kingdom on earth — and we believe that it is just that — it merits being the recipient of God's share. If every member would pay a fixed portion of his income into the congregational treasury, there would be no need for every member canvasses, followup pleas, catch-up envelopes, personal calls for payment of promises made, nor for worried church officers. If every member would actually trust God and share with Him, they would live better than they are now doing. We would be such that our non-believing friends would be amazed at what we as a congregation would be doing.

Accept the challenge — trust God — give back to Him the first portion. If it doesn't work you can always go back to the system you are now using. Our guess is that you never will.

BOOK REVIEW

"The Apostle Paul," by Alf Moe, translated by L. A. Vigness. Augsburg Publishing House, Minneapolis, Cloth 8vo. 592 pages.

In this fine work on the Apostle Paul, the author Olaf Moe, has succeeded in presenting an exhaustive study on the great missionary to the Gentiles, the Apostle Paul. His book leads to an understanding and appreciation of Paul, his view of Christianity, and his service in extending it. The author says:

"When therefore we wish to understand Paul the theologian we must begin with Paul the Missionary. — Within the framework of the delineation of his life-work, we shall endeavor to ascertain the presuppositions and motives of the apostolic calling, and to see how he carried out the ministry for the fulfillment of which he had been commissioned as

the chosen instrument."

For one who wishes to study this biblical character, and also study the thirteen books written by Paul, this book is an invaluable aid. To understand Paul will always be a vital necessity for the evangelical church.

The book has three divisions:

1. Childhood and Youth.
2. The Period of Manhood.
3. Paul's Last Years.

Would you not like to read material as under heading Number One, dealing with: Paul's Home, Gamaliel's Place of Learning, Was Paul Married?, Did Paul Know Christ?, and Saul as the Persecutor of the Christians, or in Section Two: The New Visit to Jerusalem, Antioch, the Cradle of Gentile Missions, The Reason for the Council, The Deliberations of the Council, and Paul Arrives in Rome. These titles are chosen at random. Then part three with its clear picture of the apostle's last years. One fine feature of the book is that in the detailed and scholarly account of the Missionary Journeys a sketch of each of the Epistles written is interwoven. We note that Paul's fiery spirit was mellowed under the gentle influence of the Spirit of God. His energy is now focused in one great purpose.

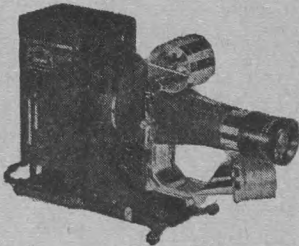
Beautiful are the closing words in chapter thirteen, entitled Imprisonment in Rome:

"The Protestant and especially the Lutheran Church is the greatest and most beautiful memorial that has been raised to the apostle Paul, engraved not in stone but written on the tables of the heart and visible to all who have eyes to see."

Studying this book alongside the New Testament will enrich the lives of the living "stones" that make up this memorial.

AN INVITATION

Look to Jesus when you're weary,
Look to Jesus when you're sad;
He will take away the heartache,
He alone can make you glad.
He will heal your broken spirit,
At His feet you'll find release;
Look to Jesus when you're troubled,
He will give you perfect peace.



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WOMEN'S MISSIONARY FEDERATION

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"In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Philippians 4:6.

What a wonderful counsel for our day which is beset with anxieties of the unknown future. Not only are we concerned with impending dangers in the world of today, but we are restless and uneasy about the daily tasks of our home, business, school and church.

As Christians we decide and are seeking to do God's Will in our daily living. His will is that we should not be anxious about anything. Christ even makes this a command in Matt. 6:25, "Take no thought for your life." We may try to excuse our anxiety by thinking that the providing of our daily bread has been left to our own devices. However "your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things," Matt. 6:32. There is therefore no room in a Christian's life for any anxious thought or care.

But worry and anxiety do not stop just because it should not exist. There must be a remedy, and Christ has provided for it when He says, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you," Matt. 6:33. Paul gives the same instructions in Philippians. Seeking the Kingdom of God consists in prayer and supplication and thanksgiving. The child of God who has experienced salvation through the forgiveness of sin in Jesus certainly is filled with thanksgiving for this gift above all gifts. Added to this are the many temporal blessings he daily showers on us. The very fact that we may come to God in prayer with our requests should cause us to thank and praise Him unceasingly.

Our many prayer promises should remind us of our lack of faith when we continue to bear the burden of desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." Mark 11:24. Again in I John 5:14, 15, "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us, and if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desire of Him." It might be well also to remind ourselves that unbelief is a sin. We are warned of this in Rev. 21:8, "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone; which is the second death." May we confess our sin of unbelief and pray for faith to trust our Father in everything, giving thanks for His great love and mercy.

Our Father, we thank and praise Thee that Thy Word is true and that Thou dost provide for our every need. We confess that we so often fail to trust Thee in all things. Forgive us our sin of unbelief, and help us to bring everything to Thee. May we truly experience that "the peace of God, which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Amen.

—Mrs. K. C. Grundahl.

PRINCE ALBERT CIRCUIT CONVENTION

The Prince Albert Circuit W.M.F. convention was held in Birch Hills, May 16, 1950. Pastor Stolle in charge.

The convention theme was based on I Cor. 3:9, "Build With God."

Opening devotion and meditation was given by Pastor Stolle. He said

in the Kingdom of God it took hard work and sacrifice to be builders. We were told to put our work where God wants it to be, not always where it is going to show. Let us be honest builders with God.

Three theme topics were given at the morning session. "Bought to be Builders," by Mrs. Joe Hagen, Hagen; "Prepared to be Builders," this paper was prepared by Mrs. Ted Sjostrom, Domremy and read by Mrs. A. Moxness, our president; "Working as Builders," by Mrs. Gordon Hendrickson, Fairy Glen.

Mrs. Tomtene, the local president, brought a brief greeting and welcomed the convention.

The afternoon session opened with prayer and meditation by Pastor Hendrickson, Fairy Glen. Mrs. Pederson, our District president, was with us and discussed and explained the handbook.

Our guest speaker, Miss Olga Guttormson, from Zululand, gave us a vivid picture in flannelgraph of her missionary work. Musical selections were given throughout the day by Mrs. Hendrickson, Mrs. Pederson, Miss Betty Ann Botham.

New officers were elected and are as follows: President, Mrs. Gordon Hendrickson, Fairy Glen; vice-president, Mrs. P. Armer, Weldon; secretary, Mrs. A. Moxness, 3088 First Avenue East, Prince Albert; treasurer, Mrs. Nels Dahl, Birch Hills; mission secretary, Mrs. Kermit Ganes, Hagen; charities secretary, Mrs. Joe Christopherson, Weldon; education secretary, Mrs. Halvor Holmdahl, Fairy Glen; Life Membership and In Memoriam, Mrs. William Agrey, Parkside; promotion secretary, Mrs. M. Odland, Weldon.

Pastor Odland of Weldon closed with prayer and benediction.

May God bless the work of the W.M.F. in the Prince Albert Circuit to the glory and honor of His name.

—Mrs. Oscar Christopherson, Weldon, Sask.

PEACE RIVER CIRCUIT CONVENTION

The W.M.F. of the Peace River Circuit met in convention at Northfield Church, La Glace, Alta., in Rev. E. B. R. Haave's parish, on May 23, 1950.

Ten delegates and fourteen visitors registered. A Bible study on John 4, led by Miss Almah Ronning and a message by Mrs. E. Peterson, our District W.M.F. president, occupied the forenoon session, after which some preliminary business was enacted.

After a delicious dinner served by the local Ladies' Aid, the convention was resumed at two o'clock with hymn singing and a short session of prayer. The Circuit voted to give the convention offering, which amounted to \$23.44, to Education Appeal; also to give \$12.00 to District Radio Fund.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. E. B. R. Haave, Sexsmith; vice-president, Mrs. Trygve Foshaug, La Glace; secretary, Mrs. Ernest Broughton, Grande Prairie; treasurer, Mrs. Paul Loberg, Valhalla Centre; department secretaries: Missions, Mrs. A. H. Olson, Dawson Creek, B.C.; charities, Mrs. Mark Hanson, Valhalla Centre, Alberta; education, Mrs. Reuben Johnson, La Glace, Alta.; Life Membership and In Memoriam, Mrs. H. Judkin, Sexsmith; promotion, Mrs. O. L. Johnson, Hythe, Alta.

Miss Almah Ronning continued the Bible study on John 4. Miss Olga Guttormson, missionary of South Africa, gave an interesting talk on missions, illustrated with a flannelgraph.

Special music was provided by members of various Ladies' Aids. Mrs. O. H. Olson and Mrs. Dahlen of Daw-

son Creek sang two duets; Mrs. W. Braaten of Valhalla sang a Norwegian solo. A girls' chorus, also a ladies' quartette of Northfield sang. The W.M.F. Choral Union under the direction of Miss Almah Ronning sang "Praise to the Lord the Almighty," and "The Morning Light is Breaking."

At the L.D.R. session in the evening, Mrs. E. Peterson installed the new officers. Most of the ladies stayed for the evening to hear Miss Guttormson and see her moving pictures of our mission field in Zululand. We all had a very profitable day and thanked God for a wonderful convention.

—Mrs. A. Tveit, reporter.

W.M.F. CONVENTION REPORT

The annual convention of the Camrose Circuit W.M.F. was held Thursday, May 18, 1950 in the Bethesda Lutheran Church, New Norway, with 25 delegates, 78 visitors and three pastors registered. The occasion was also the 50th anniversary of the Bethesda Ladies' Aid, so special greetings were tendered and birthday cakes centred the dining tables.

The members elected to various committees were as follows: Recommendations Committee, Mrs. Martin Hendrickson, Armena; Mrs. Henry Gunderson, Ryley; Mrs. Procter Paulson, Ponoka; Nominating Committee, Mrs. Morris Leiren, Bawlf; Mrs. Robert Lyseng, Armena; Mrs. Lerall, Wetaskiwin; Mrs. Nystrom, Edberg; Mrs. Vinge, Camrose; Minutes Committee, Mrs. H. Gullekson, Wetaskiwin; Mrs. Jones Moore, Armena.

The reports from all the department secretaries were read and all included a plea to the locals for more diligence in their reporting.

Sr. Marie Weiks expressed gratitude for the support given to Bethany Home and asked for a discussion on the advisability of placing separate name plates on all the doors. A motion was carried that one large plaque with the names of all the W.M.F. locals who have contributed to the furnishing of rooms be made and placed in the front sitting room.

The response to the request for musical items this year was very gratifying and all numbers were very much enjoyed.

The theme for the day was "Build With God," I Cor. 3:9, and it was developed by the following speakers: Pastor J. S. Stolee, Bawlf, Bible Study; Mrs. Clemmet Lyseng, Armena, "Bought to be Builders;" Mrs. D. Glen Spelrum, Ponoka, "Prepared to be Builders;" Mrs. A. Vinge, Camrose, "Working as Builders."

Mrs. Pederson, the Canada District president, brought a greeting and introduced Miss Olga Guttormson, the guest speaker. Miss Guttormson read from John 4, 34:38. She related many interesting experiences from the mission field in South Africa, dealing in some detail with a pair of twins which were left in her care from their infancy and are now six years old. She asked that the missionaries be supported with prayers as well as funds and mentioned that old sheets which could be torn up for use as bandages were particularly welcome at the new hospital and nurses' training school which has recently been added to the station. She then gave a vivid flannelgraph demonstration of various phases of life in a South African native village.

The officers elected were President, Mrs. Albin Ledene, Bawlf; secretary, Mrs. Oscar Fadum, Armena; promotion secretary, Mrs. Clarence Erickson, Edberg; charities, Mrs. Donald Vikse, Donald; Life Membership and In Memoriam, Mrs. Allan Sware, Hay Lakes.

Those serving the second year of their term are: Vice-president, Mrs. N. E. Pearson, Wetaskiwin; treasurer, Miss Petra Kringen, Camrose; Mission secretary, Mrs. H. Gullekson, Wetaskiwin, education secretary, Mrs. D. Glen Spelrum, Ponoka.

Pastor S. Rude, Edberg, conducted the service for the installation of officers.

The offering amounted to \$119.51. —Mrs. Oscar Fadum, secretary.

RADIO BROADCASTS

We are happy for this opportunity to reach the Ladies' Aids to tell you about our W.M.F. radio broadcasting for this summer.

From our Saskatoon station CFQC, we will have four broadcasts this summer, the third Sunday of the months, June, July, August and September at 9.00 a.m., Mountain Daylight Saving Time, the regular Lutheran Hour time.

The speakers for these broadcasts are as follows:

1. June 18th, Mrs. Anton Anholt, Kenaston, Sask.
2. July 16th, Mrs. H. O. Olson, Saskatoon, Sask.
3. August 20th, Mrs. Ellsworth Pederson, Outlook, Sask.
4. September 17th, Mrs. Galen Morstad, Moose Jaw, Sask.

Two Broadcasts from Edmonton, Alberta, sponsored by the W.M.F.:

1. June 25th, at 10.15 a.m., CFRN, by Mrs. H. R. Macrae, Edmonton.
2. July 30th at 10.15 a.m., CFRN, the speaker indefinite.

There will be four broadcasts from Calgary this fall of which you will hear more detailed plans later and also two from the Peace River district over the Dawson Creek station at a later date.

We are asking you women to kindly remember these broadcast dates and be on hand to listen. They have been prepared particularly for you but also for the chance listener. We are asking you to send any comments or suggestions you may have to your Radio Chairman.

Then, too, may we remind Circuit treasurers to send their contributions to the radio fund to the W.M.F. District treasurer, Mrs. Gordon Hope, Estevan, Saskatchewan. We welcome any extra gifts and ask you to send them also to the District treasurer.

Certainly the Lord has used the radio as a powerful means of spreading the Gospel and let us all remember these broadcasts as well as the speakers in prayer, that we as a representative group of women of our church may have a small part in promoting the Kingdom through this channel.

—Mrs. O. K. Storaasli, District Radio Chairman, 1223 Temperance St., Saskatoon, Sask.

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for A. H. Grimstad, and Pastor C. E. Walstad. The themes are: John 17:3, and Daniel 5:25-28. Lodging for visitors and speakers will be provided at C.L.B.I. with G. G. Gabrielson as the housing convener.

We would encourage young and old who have musical talent to take part with songs of praise, with, or without instruments. May God bless our Camrose Week and grant that both singers and speakers may have a part in turning many to righteousness. Daniel 12:3.

—Central Alberta Lutheran Inner-mission Society, Martin Erickson, President.

TREASURES OR PLAYTHINGS?

A man stopped to talk with two boys playing in the street. He looked at their little toys and remarked casually, "Those are your treasures." "No," replied the children, "they are our playthings." Would to God that we could come to look at our stocks, bonds and other material possessions, our petty earthly treasures, as mere playthings.